GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Conference of Ministers and Secretaries
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently convened a Conference of Ministers and Secretaries of the State/UTs in-charge of Youth Affairs and Sports in the country;
(b) if so, the details and the objectives thereof;
(c) the details of key issues discussed therein along with the outcome therefor;
(d) the details of funds released to National Sports Federations (NSFs) during the last three years and the current year, NSF-wise; and
(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure proper utilization of the funds and transparency in their functioning/administration; and
(f) whether the Government proposes to cut down the said budgetary allocation to NSFs in view of the dismal performance of Indian players in the Olympics-2016 and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) Yes, Madam.
(b) A conference of Ministers and Secretaries of States/UTs in-charge of Youth Affairs and Sports was held on 15th November, 2016 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. The Conference was also attended by various stakeholders in the field of youth affairs and sports, in addition to Central/State Government officials. The main objective of the conference was to discuss issues concerning youth affairs as well as sports.
(c) The details of key issues discussed in the conference:
Matters of Sports: -
(i) Adoption of atleast one choice based sport by each state
(ii) Insufficient funds under Khelo India
(iii) Skill up-gradation of Coaches
(iv) Calendar of Sports
(v) Haryana model of sports nurseries and Gujarat model of Khel Mahakumbh
(vi) Setting up of sports science/medicine centre
(vii) Need to integrate sports with education
(viii) Setting up sports academies under Khelo India.
Matters of Youth Affairs: -
(i) Mapping of Youth Hostels
(ii) Intensification of NYKS activities and better coordination with states
(iii) Coordination between youth organizations
(iv) Efforts to enhance youth's competencies
(v) State-wise calendar of youth activities.
(d) A statement showing amount released to various organizations during the last three years and the current year is enclosed as Annexure.
(e) To ensure proper utilisation of funds by NSFs, they are required to submit their accounts, duly audited by the Chartered Accounts in the panel of Comptroller & Auditor General of India, to seek further grant. No further grant is released to NSF unless the audited accounts and Utilization Certificate of previous grants are received. Accounts of the NSFs receiving grant of more than Rs.1.00 crore in a year are subject to audit by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India.
To ensure that the NSFs adhere to the principles of good governance, Government has issued guidelines including age and tenure limits in respect of Office Bearers of the NSFs, fair and transparent elections, prevention of age

frauds and sexual harassment of sportspersons, observance of RTI, etc. These guidelines are part of the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 and aimed at ensuring transparency and good governance in NSFs. Govt. insists on observance of these guidelines by the NSFs to receive recognition and become eligible to receive financial as well as other forms of assistance from the Government of India. In case of violation of the guidelines, appropriate action is taken by the Government. The Government has already notified NSFs getting Government grant of Rs. 10.00 lakh or more as Public Authority under the RTI Act. The government also monitors the performance of NSFs through the ACTC programme which they implement in association with Sports Authority of India.
(f) There is no such proposal.
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